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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator
ARTHUR E. WRIGHT

Town Clerk and Treasurer
THOMAS J. WINN, JR.

Selectmen
BERNARD F. BEMIS CHARLES L. PARTRIDGE
EDWARD L. KENISTON

Auditor
ARTHUR E. WRIGHT

Health Officer
ELWYN W. SEAVER

Sexton
JAMES J. MARNELL

Highway Agent
HERBERT A. SEAVER

Suervisors of Check List
ELWYN W. SEAVER FRANK P. SYMONDS

Tax Collector
WILLIAM H. McGRATH

Constable

CHARLES E. TRASK

Police

JAMES E. PENDER GEORGE G. MASON

Trustees of Trust Funds

ARTHUR E. WRIGHT ELWYN W. SEAVER

FRANK P. SYMONDS

Overseer of the Poor

EDWARD L. KENISTON

Library Trustees

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FRANK P. SYMONDS

Election Inspectors

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JOHN D. GRIMES EDGAR C. BARKER

School Board

BERNARD F. BEMIS FRANK P. SYMONDS

ANNA L. CARSWELL

Treasurer of School District

BERTHA C. BEMIS

REPORT OF SELECTMEN AND TREASURER

We, the undersigned selectmen of Harrisville, respectively submit the following financial report for the year ending January 31, 1924.

VALUATION OF THE TOWN BY INVOICE TAKEN APRIL 1, 1923

Real estate, land and buildings,	$631,965 00
97 horses,	10,215 00
2 oxen,	175 00
2 mules,	100 00
113 cows,	6,655 00
16 neat,	450 00
11 sheep,	95 00
3 hogs,	75 00
330 fowls,	500 00
Vehicles,	650 00
2 portable mills,	2,300 00
Boats and launches,	795 00
Wood and lumber,	13,150 00
Money at interest,	6,535 00
Stock in trade,	52,500 00
Mills and machinery,	110,535 00
Total inventory,	$836,695 00
319 polls at $5.00,	$1,595 00
24 polls at $3.00,	72 00
Total,	$1,667 00

Tax rate, $2.00.

MONEY RAISED BY TAXATION

Highways and bridges,	$3,000 00
Cutting and clearing brush,	100 00
Maintenance state highways,	800 00
Breaking snow roads,	500 00
Town bonds,	1,000 00
Interest on bonds,	300 00
Library,	50 00
Street lights,	540 00
Town charges,	700 00
State road, continuing application,	1,114 50
Cemeteries,	100 00
Beech Hill road,	500 00
Old Home Day,	250 00
Library lights,	50 00
Schools,	5,559 24
County tax,	1,327 13
State tax,	1,483 50
Overlay,	1,026 53
	$18,400 90

TAXES COMMITTED TO WILLIAM H. McGRATH, COLLECTOR

Property tax,	$16,733 90
Polls,	1,667 00
	$18,400 90

ASSETS

Balance due from Collector, 1923,	$585 60
Due from state, continuing application account,	456 43
Due from state, patrol,	178 77
Due from state, bounties,	102 80

Chesham electric light line,	2,800 00
Petition for abatement of Arthur E. Childs pending,	200 00
Cash on hand, Jan. 31, 1924,	5,023 22
Total assets,	$9,346 82
Excess of liabilities over assets,	3,741 18
	$13,088 00

LIABILITIES

Town bonds,	$9,000 00
Dog licenses due schools,	88 00
Balance due school district,	1,500 00
Wallace W. Lampman, Chesham electric light notes,	2,500 00
	$13,088 00

ESTIMATES

Highways and bridges, ordinary repairs,	$3,000 00
Cutting and clearing brush from roadside,	100 00
Maintenance of state highways,	800 00
Breaking roads,	500 00
Town bonds,	1,000 00
Interest on town bonds,	300 00
Library,	50 00
Street lights, village,	530 00
Street lights, Chesham,	400 00
Town charges,	700 00
State road, continuing application,	1,114 00
Chesham electric light note,	500 00
Cemeteries,	100 00
State tax,	1,483 50
County tax,	1,327 13

RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

From local taxes:

1.	Property and poll taxes, current year,		$17,564 30
2.	Property and poll taxes, previous year,		669 30

From state:

3.	Railroad tax,	$291 40	
4.	Savings bank tax,	288 77	
5.	Bounties,	36 20	

For highways:

6.	State aid maintenance,	1,159 60	
7.	Continuing application account,	492 40	

From local sources except taxes:

8.	Dog licenses,	98 00	
9.	Automobile licenses,	876 32	
10.	Interest on 1922 taxes,	3 65	
11.	Interest on 1923 taxes,	3 35	
12.	Cemetery lot, August Stemen,	5 00	
13.	Beech Hill refund, H. A. Seaver,	65 00	
14.	Refund aid for Christopher Eustace,	21 40	
15.	Pool table license, Richard Dundas,	5 00	

All other receipts:

16.	Rebate on state road, C. C. Plimpton,	6 00	
17.	John H. Bennet, for highways,	125 00	
	Total current revenue receipts,		$21,710 69

Receipts other than current revenue:

18.	Citizens National Bank, temporary loan,	$4,000 00	
19.	Wallace W. Lampman, notes for Chesham lights,	2,800 00	
20.	Arthur E. Childs, interest on bonds,	50 00	
21.	Wellington Wells, interest on bonds,	50 00	
			$6,900 00
	Total receipts from all sources,		$28,610 69
	Cash on hand at beginning of year,		3,138 75
			$31,749 44

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

Current maintenance expenses:

	General government:		
1.	Town officers' salaries,	$594 10	
2.	Town officers' expenses,	241 06	
3.	Election and registration,	42 00	
			$877 16
	Protection of persons and property:		
4.	Insurance,	$15 00	
5	Bounties,	102 80	
			$117 80
	Health and sanitation:		
6.	Health department,	$26 14	
7.	Vital statistics,	4 75	
			$30 89
	Highways and bridges,		
8.	State aid maintenance,	$1,959 41	
9.	Town maintenance,	3,542 96	
10.	Breaking roads,	469 99	
11.	Street lighting,	686 15	
12.	General expenses,	84 51	
			$6,743 02
	Education:		
13.	Libraries,	$279 96	
14.	Old Home Day,	200 00	
			$479 96
	Charities:		
15.	Town poor,		$128 08

	Public service enterprises:		
16.	Care of cemeteries,	$101 00	
17.	Hearse hire,	10 00	
18.	Chesham electric lights,	2,800 00	
			$2,911 00
	Unclassified:		
19.	General expenses,		$30 00
	Indebtedness:		
20.	Payment on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes,	$4,000 00	
21.	Payment on long term notes and bonds,	1,800 00	
			$5,800 00
	Interest:		
22.	Interest on temporary loans,	$65 79	
23.	Interest on bonds and notes,	450 65	
			$516 44
	Payments to other governmental divisions:		
24.	To state,	$2,103 50	
25.	To county,	1,327 13	
26.	To school district,	5,661 24	
			$9,091 87
Total payments for all purposes,			$26,726 22
Cash on hand at end of year,			5,023 22
Grand total,			$31,749 44

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Detail 1. Salaries and Expenses of Principal Town Officers:

Salaries:

Oren L. Farwell,	$7 50
Bernard F. Bemis, selectman,	138 50
Charles L. Partridge, selectman,	121 50
Edward L. Keniston, selectman,	93 00
Thomas J. Winn, Jr., clerk,	30 00
Thomas J. Winn, Jr., treasurer,	30 00
William H. McGrath, tax collector,	125 00
Charles E. Trask, constable,	10 00
Charles E. Trask, dog constable,	10 00
Edward L. Keniston, overseer of poor,	5 00
Thomas J. Winn, Jr., auto permits,	18 60
Arthur E. Wright, auditor,	5 00
	$594 10

Expenses:

Sentinel Printing Co., town reports,	$100 80
O. E. Cain, services 1922,	10 00
Spalter's Book Store, books and stationery,	14 15
Winfield M. Chaplin, transfers,	2 10
American Surety Co., premiums,	36 50
Chester W. Russell, transportation,	2 00
Sentinel Printing Co., placards,	3 58
W. B. McClellan,	7 35
John S. Parker, estimating lumber,	13 00
Thomas J. Winn, Jr., supplies,	4 00
Charles L. Partridge, expenses,	7 53
Bernard F. Bemis, expenses,	15 30
Bernard F. Bemis, recording 3 years taxes,	15 00
Edward L. Keniston, cash for sundries,	3 75
P. H. Faulkner, legal advice,	2 00

Oren L. Farwell, services,	4 00
	$241 06

Detail 2. Election and Registration:

Perley S. Bemis, supervisor, 1922,	$22 50
Frank P. Symonds, supervisor,	5 00
Edward L. Keniston, supervisor,	8 50
Elwyn W. Seaver,	6 00
	$42 00

Detail 3. Protection of Persons and Property:

(a) Insurance:

A. B. Palmer, insurance on town house and contents,	$15 00

(b) Bounties:

Austin Weaver, wild cat,	$20 00
Charles L. Partridge, wild cat and hedgehogs,	46 20
Bernard F. Bemis, wild cat and hedgehogs,	31 20
Edward L. Keniston, hedgehogs,	5 40
	$117 80

Detail 4. Health and Sanitation:

(a) Vital statistics:

Thomas J. Winn, Jr., returning births, deaths and marriages,	$4 75

(b) Health Department:

Elwyn W. Seaver, health officer,	$26 14
	$30 89

Detail 5. Highways, State Aid Maintenance:

State and town joint account:

Clarence B. Seaver, patrolman,	$1,959 41

Detail 6. Highways, Town Maintenance:

(a) Herbert A. Seaver, road agent,	$3,542 96
(b) Breaking roads:	
William L. White,	$115 16
Herbert R. Seaver,	354 83
	$4,012 95

Detail 7. Street Lighting:

Keene Gas & Electric Co., town street lights,	$496 88
Keene Gas & Electric Co., Chesham street lights,	189 27
	$686 15

Detail 8. General Expenses of Highway Department:

Bernard F. Bemis, 35 loads sand, 1922,	$5 25
George F. Bemis, express and freight,	1 80
Alexander Supply Co., parts road machine,	20 60
O. L. Warrington, keeping lights,	3 30
W. W. Lampman, repairing railing,	10 00
Robert McCall, repairs,	14 30
Ned F. Patterson, freight,	1 11
Knowlton & Stone, drain pipe,	19 15
James E. Partridge, labor,	9 00
	$84 51

Detail 9. Education:

(a) Town library:	
Clarice L. Main, cleaning library,	$8 50
Clive R. McCall, wiring library,	52 31
Samuel E. Willard, wood,	8 00
Henry Dion, sawing wood,	2 00
Guy W. Thayer, appropriation,	50 00

Keene Gas & Electric Co., lighting,	9 00
W. B. McClellan, supplies,	1 83
John N. Clark, repairs on library,	122 32
Clarice L. Main, librarian,	26 00
(b) Appropriation for Old Home Day:	
Elwyn W. Seaver, treasurer of committee,	200 00
	$479 96

Detail 10. Charities:

Edward L. Keniston, Overseer of Poor, cash paid for feeding tramps and transportation,	$76 68
Edward L. Keniston, aid for Christopher Eustace,	21 40
Elizabeth Taylor, feeding tramps,	30 00
	$128 08

Detail 11. Public Service Enterprises:

(a) James J. Marnell, labor in cemeteries,	$101 00
(b) Arthur W. Blodgett, driving hearse,	10 00
(c) Chesham Electric Lighting system,	2,800 00
	$2,911 00

Detail 12. General Expenses:

Walter L. Jaquith, damage to sheep,	$10 00
Winn Bros., rent of hall,	20 00
	$30 00

Detail 13. Payments on Indebtedness:

Thomas J. Winn, town bond No. 21,	$500 00
Citizens National Bank, town bond No. 22,	500 00
Citizens National Bank, 1917 note,	500 00
W. W. Lampman,	300 00
	$1,800 00

Detail 14. Interest Paid:

Citizens National Bank,	$13 75
Citizens National Bank,	13 52
W. W. Lampman,	3 38
	$30 65

Detail 15. Bond Coupons Paid:

Mrs. Fidie E. White,	$20 00
Bernard F. Bemis,	20 00
Corban C. Farwell,	20 00
Thomas J. Winn,	30 00
Elwyn W. Seaver,	40 00
Selden P. Tuttle,	60 00
Citizens National Bank,	110 00
Valley Woolen Mills,	120 00
	$420 00

Detail 16. Temporary Loans:

Citizens National Bank,	$4,000 00
Citizens National Bank, interest on same,	65 79
	$4,065 79

Detail 17. Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

Jerome E. Wright, county treasurer,	$1,327 13
George E. Farrand, state treasurer, state tax,	1,483 50
George E. Farrand, state treasurer, 310 polls, at $2.00,	620 00
	$3,430 63

Detail 18. Payments to School District:

Bertha C. Bemis, school treasurer, town appropriation,	$5,559 24

Bertha C. Bemis, school treasurer, dog licenses for 1922,	102 00
,	$5,661 24
Total payments for all purposes,	$26,726 22
Cash on hand at end of year,	5,023 22
Grand total,	$31,749 44

Respectfully submitted,

BERNARD F. BEMIS,
CHAS. L. PARTRIDGE,
EDWARD L. KENISTON,
Selectmen of Harrisville.

T. J. WINN, JR.,
Town Treasurer.

This is to certify that I examined the above report of the selectmen and town treasurer, and find the same correctly cast and properly vouched.

ARTHUR E. WRIGHT,
Auditor.

Harrisville, N. H., Jan. 31, 1924.

REPORT OF ROAD AGENT

APRIL 6 TO MAY 12

Clarence Seaver and team, 1 hr. @ $1.00,	$1 00
H. A. Seaver and team, 80½ hrs. @ $1.00,	80 50
H. A. Seaver, 6½ hr. @ $.50,	3 25
E. M. White, 36½ hrs., @ $.50,	18 25
W. Hakala, 80 hrs, @ $.50,	40 00
Jack Saari, 8 hrs. @ $.50,	4 00
John Grimes, 2 hrs. @ $.50,	1 00
E. M. White, labor in 1922,	4 20
	$152 20

MAY 12 TO MAY 19

H. A. Seaver, 3 hrs. @ $.50,	$1 50
H. A. Seaver and team, 37 hrs @ $1.00,	37 00
C A. Blake and team, 16 hrs. @ $1.00,	16 00
E. M. White, 43 hrs. @ $.50,	21 50
Will Hackala, 40 hrs. @ $.50,	20 00
Jack Saari, 16 hrs. @ $.50,	8 00
James Partridge, 24 hrs. @ $.50,	12 00
E. M. White, labor in April, 14 hrs. @ $.40,	5 60
John Grimes, plank,	168 00
Pearson Bros., tools, dynamite, etc.,	46 30
	$335 90

MAY 19 TO MAY 26

H. A. Seaver and team, 40 hrs. @ $1.00,	$40 00
C. H. Blake and team, 16 hrs. @ $1.00,	$16 00
E. M. White, 40 hrs. @ $.50,	20 00

W. Hakala, 40 hrs. @ $.50,	20 00
James Partridge, 40 hrs. @ $.50,	20 00
Bill, North East Metal Culvert Co.,	76 80
	$192 80

MAY 26 TO JUNE 9

H. A. Seaver and team, 80 hrs. @ $1.00,	$80 00
H. A. Seaver, 10 hrs. @ $.50,	5 00
Will Hackala, 84 hrs. @ $.50,	42 00
C. A. Blake and team, 23 hrs. @ $1.00,	23 00
C. A. Blake's team, 8 hrs. @ $.50,	4 00
James Partridge, 80 hrs. @ $.50,	40 00
E. M. White, 56 hrs. @ $.50,	28 00
	$222 00

JUNE 9 TO JULY 7

H. A. Seaver and team, 171½ hrs. @ $1.00,	$171 50
H. A. Seaver, 2 hrs. @ $.50,	1 00
C. A. Blake and team, 128 hrs @ $1.00,	128 00
C. A. Blake's team, 16 hrs. @ $.50,	8 00
Leon Smith and team, 18 hrs. @ $1.00,	18 00
Leon Smith, 2 hrs. @ $.50,	1 00
John Stewart, 8 hrs. @ $.50,	4 00
E. M. White, 164 hrs. @ $.50,	82 00
W. Hackala, 157 hrs. @ $.50,	78 50
James Partridge, 144 hrs. @ $.50,	72 00
Bill for spikes and sign boards,	2 33
P. W. Russell, plank,	62 70
E. R. Smith, stringers	18 00
	$647 03

JULY 7 TO SEPTEMBER 1

H. A. Seaver and team, 170 hrs. @ $1.00,	$170 00
H. A. Seaver and car, 14 hrs.,	$10 00

Leon Smith and team, 19 hrs. @ $1.00	19 00
C. A. Blake and team, 8 hrs. @ $1.00,	8 00
Samuel Willard, 24 hrs. @ $1.00,	24 00
W. Hakala, 147 hrs. @ $.50,	73 50
E. M. White, 75 hrs. @ $.50,	37 50
James Partridge, 24 hrs. @ $.50,	12 00
A. W. Seaver, 8 hrs. @ $.50,	4 00
Dave Judge, 8 hrs. @ $.50,	4 00
1 Coil fuse,	1 10
20 lbs. spikes,	1 25
Bill of North East Metal Culvert Co.,	86 40
Bill of C. H. Gilchrist,	13 50
	$464 20

SEPTEMBER 1 TO SEPTEMBER 14

H. A. Seaver and team, 79½ hrs. @ $1.00,	$79 50
H. A. Seaver and car, 6 hrs. @ $1.00,	6 00
H. A. Seaver, 6 hrs. @ $.50,	3 00
H. A. Seaver's team, 10 hrs. @ $.50,	5 00
Will Hackala, 75½ hrs. @ $.50,	37 75
C. A. Blake and team, 8 hrs. @ $1.00,	8 00
E. M. White, 26 hrs. @ $.50,	13 00
James Partridge, 49 hrs. @ $.50,	24 50
John Stewart, 4 hrs. @ $.50,	2 00
P. W. Russell, plank,	11 12
Samuel Willard, 32 hrs. @ $1.00,	32 00
	$221 87

SEPTEMBER 28

H. A. Seaver and team, 72 hrs. @ $1.00,	$72 00
Will Hackala, 72 hrs. @ $.50,	36 00
James Partridge, 56 hrs. @ $.50,	28 00
	$136 00

SEPTEMBER 28 TO OCTOBER 13

H. A. Seaver and team, 45 hrs. @ $1.00,	$45 00
James Partridge, 40 hrs. @ $.50,	20 00
E. M. White, 21 hrs. @ $.50,	10 50
	$75 50

OCTOBER 13 TO NOVEMBER 10

H. A. Seaver and team, 127 hrs. @ $1.00,	$127 00
James Partridge, 144 hrs. @ $.50,	72 00
E. M. White, 56 hrs. @ $.50,	28 00
	$227 00

NOVEMBER 10 TO DECEMBER 6

H. A. Seaver and team, 70 hrs. @ $1.00,	$70 00
C. B. Seaver and team, 6 hrs. @ $1.00,	6 00
James Partridge, 58 hrs. @ $.50,	29 00
	$105 00

DECEMBER 31

H. A. Seaver and team, 51 hrs. @ $1.00,	$51 00
James Partridge, 50 hrs. @ $.50,	25 00
P. W. Russell, plank and stringers,	28 04
Richard Dundas, gravel,	17 20
	$121 24

John Grimes, 12 loads gravel,	$1 80
E. H. Lord, 42 loads gravel,	8 40
Clifton Richardson, 14 loads gravel,	2 10
B. F. Bemis, 3 loads gravel,	.45
C. A. Blake, 92 loads gravel,	18 4
G. G. Mason, 39 loads gravel,	7 80
Chas. Nye, bridge strings, 2 sticks, @ $4.00,	8 00

Knowlton & Stone Co., irons for drag,	7 58
Lyman Wiswall, 211 yds.,	31 69
E. M. White, 2 hrs. @ $.50,	1 00
	$208 46

BEECH HILL ACCOUNT

Norman Collins, trucking,	$137 00
Milan Collins, trucking,	137 00
H. A. Seaver and team, 6 days,	48 00
H. A. Seaver, 1 day,	4 00
E. M. White, 6 days,	24 00
John Blair, 5 days,	20 00
O. L. Warrington, 6 days,	24 00
Howard, 6 days,	25 00
Gibbs, 6 days,	24 00
Arthur Buckley, 7 days,	28 00
James Partridge, 5 days,	20 00
Dave Judge, 1 day,	4 00
	$494 00

BREAKING ROADS, 1923

Leon Smith, 68 hrs. with team,	$63 75
Leon Smith, 13 hrs.	5 20
Axel Blongren, 8 hrs.,	3 20
John LaPoint, 11 hrs.,	4 40
C. A. Gilchrist, 13½ hrs.,	10 00
Samuel Willard,	21 17
Clarence Seaver,	28 00
Clifton Richardson,	5 60
W. L. White,	60 75
	$202 07

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H. A. Seaver and team, 44 hrs.,	$44 00
Prentiss Nye, 9 hrs., @ $.40,	3 60
Fred Sundstrom, 13 hrs., @ $.40,	5 20
W. W. Lampman, 9 hrs., @ $.40,	3 60
E. M. White, 31 hrs. @ $.40,	12 40
W. Hakala, 22 hrs. @ $.40,	8 80
	$77 60

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John Grimes and 4 horses, 9 hrs.,	$13 50
John Grimes and team, 2 hrs.,	2 00
Chas. Blake, 2 men, 24 horses, 2 days,	32 00
Chas. Blake and team, 4 hrs.,	4 00
James Partridge, 4 hrs.,	2 00
E. M. White, 9 hrs.,	4 50
C. B. Seaver and team, 2 hrs.,	2 00
	$60 00

H. A. SEAVER,

Road Agent.

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS, TOWN OF HARRISVILLE, N. H., FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1924

Date of Creation	Trust Funds	Purpo Creation	How Invested	Amount of Principa	Rate of Per Cent Interest	Balance of Income on hand at beginning of year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance of Income on hand at end of year
Apr. 17, 1917	Mrs. Eva Marshall Cemetery Fund		N. H. Savings Bank	$200.00	4	$24.96	$8.99		$33.95
May 14, 1912	Fanny Goodnow Cemetery Fund		N. H. Savings Bank	24.00	4	3.12	1.08		4.20
Jan. 3, 1913	Bancroft Cemetery Fund		N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	4	7.97	4.00	$4.00	7.97
Feb. 26, 1913	Rutherford Cemetery Fund		N. H. Savings Bank	64.00	4	4.83	2.56	4.00	3.39
Jan. 11, 1918	Winslow Royce Cemetery Fund		N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	4	5.08	4.00	4.00	5.08
Aug. 15, 1921	Tufts-Tuttle Cemetery Fund		N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	4		4.00	4.00	
Feb. 14, 1890	School and Ministerial Fund		N. H. Savings Bank	*1284.93	4		51.31	46.00	*5.31
May 18, 1923	James E. Ruffle Cemetery Fund		N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	4		2.33	1.00	1.33

*Bal. $5.31 added to principal.

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correst, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

ARTHUR E. WRIGHT,
ELWYN W. SEAVER, Trustees.
FRANK P. SYMONDS

Date, Jan. 31, 1924.

REPORT OF LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Number of volumes in library,	2,800
Number of volumes added during year,	50
Number of volumes issued during year,	1,150

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1923,	$5 31
Received from fines,	1 26
Received from town treasurer,	50 00
	$56 57

EXPENDITURES

Paid for books,	$46 10
Balance in hands of librarian,	10 47
	$56 57

Respectfully submitted,

GUY W. THAYER,
MAUDE I. TRASK,
FRANK P. SYMONDS,
Library Committee.

This is to certify that I examined the above report of the Library Committee and find the same correctly cast and properly vouched.

ARTHUR E. WRIGHT,
Auditor.

Harrisville, N. H., Jan. 31, 1924.

TREASURER'S REPORT, OLD HOME DAY CELEBRATION

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand,	$93 01
Received town appropriation,	200 00
Received from ball game,	48 75
Received from dance,	77 00
	$418 76

EXPENDITURES

Paid Harrisville Band,	$105 00
Paid Lyric Male Quartette,	20 00
Paid W. B. McClellan,	8 11
Paid Revenue Tax,	13 55
Paid Mrs. Brooks,	5 00
Paid Sentinel Printing Co.,	25 86
Paid Paul Mann,	10 00
Paid B. F. Bemis,	1 80
Paid for decorating,	6 50
Paid for ball team,	12 00
Paid for ball ground,	7 00
Paid Eagle Hall,	7 50
Paid W. B. McClellan, goods for ball game,	28 93
Paid Chester W. Russell,	3 00
Paid Harrisville ball players,	24 00
Paid orchestra,	36 00
Paid W. H. McGrath, supplies for dinner,	29 10
Paid Wilfred Record, dinner and cigars for band,	13 50

Telephoning and postage,	1 00
Paid W. J. Halpin, for change to start ball game in 1921,	25 00
	$382 85
Cash on hand,	35 91
	$418 76

E. W. SEAVER,
Treasurer.

This is to certify that I examined the report of the treasurer of the Old Home Day committee and find the same correctly cast and properly vouched.

ARTHUR E. WRIGHT,
Auditor.

Harrisville, N. H., Jan. 31, 1924.

REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

Our public school system dates back more than one hundred years before the signing of the Declaration of Independence. In 1647 the Massachusetts Bay Colony passed a law that every township having fifty households should have a public school where children could be taught to read and write and every township having one hundred houses should have a grammar school, "the masters thereof being able to instruct youth so far as they are fitted, for the university."

From this humble beginning we have our present New Hampshire educational system, which has never been excelled in our state's history; but there is still opportunity for greater benefit to the children in the rural sections for those who cannot receive the benefit of the high school. At present this is a large percentage of the pupils of communities similar to our own. More depends upon the teacher than the system. It needs no argument to demonstrate that a school is no better than the teacher.

Teaching is a profession for which intelligence and training are recognized as necessary. We must recognize the necessity of compensating our teachers according to present day requirements.

We have a new corps of teachers in all the schools except East View where Mrs. Martha B. MacDonald is completing her ninth year. No comments need be made in regard to this school, as the interest which Mrs. MacDonald has always taken is well known. The Christmas exercises were enthusiastically carried out, including a play, which was composed by the teacher.

To the Chesham school Miss Marion S. Guild has brought great zeal and is constantly working for the best good of her

pupils, both mentally and morally. Although having all the grades Miss Guild has undertaken work in manual arts training for the boys in the three higher grades. Warm dinners have also been instituted.

The schools at the village are under the instruction of Louise E. Baldasaro and Doris M. Fletcher, who are experienced teachers. Christmas exercises were also given by these schools as in each of the others, and all the schools seem to be making good progress and a harmonious atmosphere seems to pervade in all the schools.

STATISTICS FOR SCHOOL YEAR 1922-1923

Different pupils registered in the district,	118
Different pupils registered elsewhere,	10
Non resident pupils.	8
Half-days schools were actually in session,	344
Half-days schools were closed for holidays, etc.,	16
Average membership in the schools,	101.35
Average attendance,	96.43
Per cent of attendance for Harrisville,	95.14
Per cent of attendance for district,	93.41
Per cent of attendance for state,	93.46
Pupils not absent or tardy during year,	10
Visits made by school board members,	9
Visits made by superintendent,	75
Visits made by citizens,	81

HONOR ROLL

Pupils neither absent nor tardy for

FALL TERM

*Vaino Ala
Alexander Balban
Paul Bonnette
Bernice Balban
Agnes Beaulieu
Mildred Beaulieu
Margaret Bonnette
Philix Carswell
Paul Dion
Beatrice Emery
*Alfred T. Grimes
*Howard Lavigne
Yvonne Lavigne
Esther Lounder
Leonard Lounder
Harold Lounder
John Lavigne
Florence Lavigne
Arvo Luoma
Florence Main
*Lawrence McClure
*Annie McGrath
*Wm. McGrath
Jennie Nelson
Bernice Parent
*C. O. Richardson
Blanche Record
Leon Record
Julia Record
Marie Silk
Charles Sigmond
*Alma Seppa
Bernice Silk
John Silk
Daniel Trudell
*O. Warrington

WINTER TERM

Vaino Ala
Beatrice Emery
Alfred T. Grimes
Charles Koadolas
Howard Lavigne
Annie McGrath
Wm. McGrath
Lawrence McClure
C. O. Richardson
Eino Ranta
Alma Seppa
Marie Seppa
Marie Silk
Edith Sturtevant
Albert Trudell
O. Warrington

SPRING TERM

Vaino Ala
Alexander Balban
Bernice Balban
Agnes Beaulieu
Mildred Beaulieu
Margaret Bonnette
Paul Bonnette
Philix Carswell
George Finnie
Alfred T. Grimes
Charles Koadolas
Howard Lavigne
John Lavigne
Arvo Luoma
Ellen Matson
Lawrence McClure
Annie McGrath
Wm. McGrath
C. O. Richardson
Alma Seppa
Bernard Silk
Albert Trudell
O. Warrington

*Perfect attendance for year.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR SCHOOL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1923

RECEIPTS

From state, equalization (state aid),		$5 06
From selectmen, raised by taxation:		
For support of elementary schools, $5 tax,	$3,723 25	
For high school tuition,	440 00	
For salaries of district officers,	100 00	
For superintendent's excess salary,	145 00	
For expenses of administration,	45 00	
For per capita tax,	222 00	
Total raised by taxation,		$4,875 25
From other sources:		
Dog licenses,	$82 40	
Elementary school tuitions,	36 00	
Income from local trust funds,	23 00	
Other receipts:		
1921-1922 money due July 1, 1922,	500 00	
1923-1924 money paid in advance,	224 75	
Total from other sources,		$866 15
Total receipts from all sources,		$5,746 46
Total cash on hand July 1, 1922,		32 21
Grand total,		$5,778 67

PAYMENTS

Administration:		
Salaries of district officers,	$102 00	
Superintendent's excess salary,	142 86	
Truant officers and school census,	11 45	
Expenses of administration,	18 33	
Instruction:		
Teachers' salaries,	3,175 20	
Text books,	216 07	
Scholars' supplies,	123 52	
Other expenses of instruction,	59 87	
Operation and maintenance of plant:		
Janitor service,	186 00	
Fuel,	279 38	
Janitor's supplies,	40 17	
Minor repairs,	379 94	
Auxiliary agencies and special activities:		
Medical inspection,	61 12	
High school tuition,	550 00	
Fixed charges:		
Insurance,	92 50	
Construction and new equipment:		
New equipment,	50 58	
Other charges:		
Per capita tax for supervision,	222 00	
Total payments for all purposes,		$5,710 99
Total cash on hand at end of year, July 30, 1923,		67 68
Grand total,		$5,778 67

ASSETS, JUNE 30, 1923

Cash on hand,	$67 68
Dublin tuition,	60 00
Roxbury tuition,	138 00
Surplus,	$265 68

LIABILITIES, JUNE 30, 1923

1923-1924 school money paid in advance,	$224 75
Excess assets over liabilities,	$40 93

SCHOOL BOARD ESTIMATE FOR SCHOOL YEAR 1923-24

Staturtory requirements:	
For high school tuition,	$600 00
For per capita tax,	240 00
For superintendent's excess salary,	137 93
For salaries of district officers,	100 00
For support of elementary schools, the amount of a tax of $5 per $1,000 of equalized valuation,	4.322 24
	$5,400 17

BERNARD F. BEMIS,
FRANK P. SYMONDS,
ANNA L. CARSWELL,
School Board.

Harrisville, January 31, 1924.

REPORT OF SCHOOL TREASURER

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1923,	$805 73
Received school appropriation from town treasurer,	5,559 24
Received from Arthur E. Wright, interest on trust funds,	23 00
Received from town of Roxbury, tuition,	138 00
Received from town of Dublin, tuition,	60 00
Received from T. J. Winn, Jr., town treasurer, dog licenses,	102 00
Unpaid check No. 236,	8 25
Total amount received,	$6,696 22

EXPENDITURES

SALARIES OF DISTRICT OFFICERS

Bernard F. Bemis, chairman school board,	$35 00
Frank P. Symonds, member school board,	25 00
Anna L. Carswell, member school board,	25 00
Bertha C. Bemis, school treasurer,	12 00
	$97 00

SUPERINTENDENT'S EXCESS SALARY

State treasurer, by Bernard F. Bemis, treasurer supervisory district No. 38,	$142 84

SCHOOL CENSUS

Bertha C. Bemis, enumeration of scholars,	$10 00
W. H. Spalter, enumeration cards,	1 50
	$11 50

EXPENSES OF ADMINISTRATION

Spalter's Book Store, supplies,	$1 55
John N. Clark, transportation of school board,	2 50
Vernon S. Ames, expenses,	6 69
Vernon S. Ames, telephoning and hiring teachers,	7 78
Bertha C. Bemis, postage and stationery,	3 00
Anna L. Carswell, expenses,	3 00
John H. McGrath, transporting supplies,	3 00
Bernard F. Bemis, transportation and expenses,	9 25
	$36 77

TEACHERS' SALARIES

Mary E. Call, teaching balance 1923,	$425 00
Helena Call, teaching balance 1923,	385 00
Anna D. Ohlson, teaching balance 1923,	360 00
Martha B. McDonald, teaching one year,	596 80
Louise Baldasaro, teaching 20 weeks,	500 00
Doris M. Fletcher, teaching 20 weeks,	500 00
Marion S. Guild, teaching 20 weeks,	500 00
Rosella Whitney, substituting 4 weeks and expenses,	69 60

Catherine McKay, substituting 2 1-2 days and expenses,	9 60
	$3,346 00

TEXT BOOKS

Edward E. Babb & Co.,	$5 67
Edward E. Babb & Co.,	21 49
American Book Co.,	2 80
Vernon S. Ames,	83
	$30 79

SCHOLARS' SUPPLIES

Edward E. Babb & Co.,	$1 75
Edward E. Babb & Co.,	1 17
Vernon S. Ames,	42
J. L. Hammett & Co., one doz. boxes Crayola,	1 01
	$4 35

OTHER EXPENSES OF INSTRUCTION

C. C. Beedle Co.,	$3 00
Frank P. Symonds, boarding Jennie Seaver six weeks,	12 00
Edward E. Babb & Co., diplomas and door mat,	8 51
Edgar B. Leet, engrossing diplomas,	2 00
V. S. Ames, supplies,	3 30
	$28 81

JANITOR SERVICE

Walter E. Rowe, Jr., janitor,	$54 00
Philip Carswell, janitor,	108 00
Clarence O. Richardson, janitor,	18 00
Bert Knowlton, cleaning vaults,	8 50

Walter Blair, cleaning vaults,	1 50
Peter Keyough, cleaning vaults,	6 50
O. L. Warrington, cleaning vaults,	5 00
B. F. Bemis, cleaning vaults,	5 00
	$206 50

FUEL

Frank H. Huntley, piling wood in shed,	$2 00
Henry Dion, sawing 9½ cords wood,	9 63
Percy W. Russell, 3½ cords wood,	35 00
Edward M. White, drawing wood to Eastview,	2 50
Peter Keyough, 4 cords wood,	24 00
Samuel E. Willard, 5 cords wood,	40 00
Henry Dion, sawing 8 cords wood,	12 75
Clifton E. Richardson, 3 cords wood put in shed,	30 00
Philip Carswell, piling wood in shed,	5 00
Clarence Richardson, kindlings,	6 00
Percy W. Russell, 2½ cords wood,	25 00
Alden Travis, piling wood,	6 50
Edward M. Towne, sawing 3¾ cords wood,	5 63
	$204 01

JANITORS' SUPPLIES

Spencer Hardware Co., hydrated and chloride lime,	$ 90
Walter E. Rowe, Jr., supplies,	3 00
Vernon S. Ames, supplies,	5 01
E. S. Comstock, caustic soda,	10 00
Clarence Richardson, brooms,	2 75
W. B. McClellan, supplies,	2 17
Spencer Hardware Co., sash fasteners and freight,	78
Knowlton & Stone, brooms,	2 40
Martin & Alexander, brooms and hangers,	4 14
	$31 15

MINOR REPAIRS AND EXPENSES

Weston McRoy, stove pipe,	$2 65
B. F. Bemis, cutting grass,	3 00
Anna L. Carswell, cleaning schoolhouse,	24 00
Mrs. A. Warrington, cleaning schoolhouse,	3 00
Fred Bergeron, rent for two months,	16 00
B. F. Bemis, cash paid for cleaning schoolhouse,	10 00
W. B. McClellan, paint, varnish and supplies,	14 50
Philip Carswell, labor on desks,	1 50
George F. Bemis, express charges,	1 60
Weston McRoy, chimney elbow and labor,	4 00
	$80 25

MEDICAL INSPECTION

L. F. Richards, M. D., examining skin disease in three families,	$5 00
A. G. Byrns, inspection,	65 00
	$70 00

HIGH SCHOOL TUITION

Hancock Educational Association,	$290 00
Keene High School,	255 00
Tilton Seminary,	62 50
	$607 50

OTHER FIXED CHARGES

George E. Farrand, state treasurer, per capita tax,	$220 00

NEW EQUIPMENT

Hall & Croteau, 4 chairs,	$9 25
Edward E. Babb & Co., door mat,	2 87
Hall & Croteau, 3 kindergarten chairs,	6 00

Charles Williams Stores, manual arts tools,	19 53
Edward L. Keniston, table,	1 00
	$38 65

INSURANCE

G. H. Aldrich & Son, insurance premium,	$92 50

SUMMARY

Salaries of district officers,	$19 00
Superintendent's excess salary,	142 84
School census,	11 50
Expenses of administration,	36 77
Teachers' salaries,	3,346 00
Text books,	30 79
Scholars' supplies,	4 35
Other expenses of instruction,	28 81
Janitor service,	206 50
Fuel,	204 01
Janitors' supplies,	31 15
Minor repairs and expenses,	80 25
Medical inspection,	70 00
High school tuition,	607 50
Other fixed charges,	220 00
New equipment,	38 65
Insurance,	92 50
Total expenditures,	5,248 62
Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1924,	1,447 60
	$6,696 22

BERTHA C. BEMIS,
Treasurer.

Harrisville, N. H., Jan. 31, 1924.

This certifies that I have examined the above accounts of the treasurer of the school district and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

ARTHUR E. WRIGHT,
Auditor.

Harrisville, N. H., Jan. 31, 1924.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Citizens and School Board of Harrisville:

It is with pleasure that I herein submit my first annual report as superintendent of schools.

During the short period of six months' observation and direction of your schools, we have aimed to follow the state course as far as conditions and a limited supply of equipment will permit.

As far as possible we have eliminated educational fallacies and put emphasis on the old fashioned word, "work," directing our efforts to the fundamentals, viz: reading, writing and arithmetic, the use of good English, both oral and written, in composition and conversation.

The teachers have been devoted to their work and conscientious in its execution.

There is no escape from the fact that public schools are expensive and that their cost is increasing. The increase in cost is due not only to the higher salaries needed to secure good teachers, higher cost of repairs, the doubling of charges for heat, extension of required transportation routes, continued higher prices of books and supplies, but also to the fact that the requirements which schools have to meet have broadened greatly throughout the entire country and physical conditions held satisfactory forty years ago are no longer tolerated. Our great problem is to maintain our schools in creditable condition and at the same time keep within the limits of our appropriations.

Yet we must realize that public school education is the bulwark of our free institutions, that in the rising generation of boys and girls lie the latent powers of our republic, that the way the twig is bent the tree is sure to grow.

Therefore, realizing that the boys and girls of today are to be the men and women of tomorrow, it behooves us to act with feverish solicitude in the interests of the welfare of our children. It is an essential duty imposed upon us to vitalize their education with a thorough preparation in the fundamentals of mental, moral and religious life.

Someone has said that the proverbs or maxims of a people generally represent the wisdom of long experience. They are the signboards on a life's great highway erected by our forefathers, and most travelers accept their guidance without question. As a false sign on a crowded alley may lead multitudes astray, so an untrue maxim or a misguided habit of study, especially when circulating among the young and inexperienced, may turn a nation into dangerous or fatal paths. There never was a time in the world's history when the nations were brought more forcibly face to face with these vital facts than in this transitional period, an epoch of world life distinguished for its keen competition in every vocation of life, and one that will demand the rising generation of boys and girls taught in accordance with modern pedagogical and psychological laws. In this spirit, during six months' observation of your school, I have tried to interpret the educational situation in Harrisville, to alleviate conditions as far as financial means and opportunities have been placed in my possession.

GRADUATION

The following pupils were graduated from the eighth grade of the Harrisville schools last June: Hazel McComb, Florence Main, Kenneth Morton, Maria Seppa, Yrja Steman, Harry Sturtevant and Elbert Willard.

TEACHERS AND SCHOOLS 1923-24

At the beginning of the present school year the following teachers took up the work of directing and guiding the youth of Harrisville: At Chesham, Miss Marion S. Guild; at Eastview, Mrs. Martha B. MacDonald; at the Village, Miss Louise E. Baldasaro, grades V to VIII, and Miss Doris M. Fletcher, grades I to IV, inclusive.

All the teachers have been alert and active in behalf of the interests of their pupils, maintaining good discipline, increased the per cent of attendance, decreased the number of tardy marks, and have taken an interest not only in the duties of the school room, but also in the various activities of community life.

In conclusion I would extend to the school board my sincere thanks for their assistance and loyal support. These things and the congenial attitude of parents, citizens and pupils have been important elements in the welfare of your schools.

Respectfully submitted.

FREDERICK T. JOHNSON,

Superintendent of Schools.

Marlboro, N. H., Feb. 9, 1924.

VITAL STATISTICS

To the Selectmen:

In compliance with an act of the legislature, passed June session, 1887, amended by the legislature of 1889, requiring "clerks of towns and cities to furnish a transcript of the record of births, marriages and deaths to the municipal officers for publication in the Annual Report," I hereby submit the following:

Births Registered in the Town of Harrisville, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1923.

Date of Birth.	Name of Child (if any).	Sex and Condition. Male or Female.	Living or Stillborn.	No. of child 1st, 2d, etc.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father.	Age of Mother.
Jan. 29	Mary Blanche Eva	F	L	4	Alfred Trudell	Anna Gagnon	Laborer	Canada	Canada		
Feb. 17	Evelyn	F	L	6	Stanley Rapchess	Caroline Szlachlos	Barber	Russia	Poland		
Mar. 8	Mary Gloria	F	L	1	Napoleon Young	Yvonne Emery	Weaver	West Swanzey	Harrisville		
Apr. 4	Clifford David	M	L	2	Wilfred Cloutier	Lavina McDonald	Weaver	Marlboro	Wilton		
Apr. 11	Virginia	F	L	9	William McGrath	Lizzie LaPoint	Meat market	Winchendon, Mass.	Harrisville		
Aug. 25	Walford Warren	M	L	2	Jacob Saari	Mary Johnson	Brick mason	Finland	Dublin		
Sept. 5	Ralph James	M	L	1	John Clark	Bernice Keough	Carpenter	Harrisville	Walpole		
Sept. 15	Lena Rita	F	L	3	Ernest Brozeau	Mary D. Jalluit	Spinner	Epsom	Canada		
Dec. 21	Gordon Clifford	M	L	1	Wilmot Macklin	Florence Sturtevant	Woolen mill	Madison, Me.	Enfield		
Dec. 1	William Russell	M	L	4	George Schnyer	Alice L. Hall	Woolen finisher	Bradford, Mass.	Hartford, Vt.		

Marriages Registered in the Town of Harrisville, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1923.

Date of Marriage.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Age in years.	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of each.	Names of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents	Condition.*	Name, Residence and Official Station of person by whom married.
May 19	Keene	Henry L. Underwood	Harrisville	26	Spinner	Lowell, Mass.	George Underwood	Bradford, Vt.	2d	F. H. Whitcomb, J. P., Keene
		Mary K. Marnell	Harrisville	18	At home	N. Billerica, Ms.	James Marnell	Ireland		
May 28	Hancock	Leroy W. Sprague	Fitzwilliam	31	Blacksmith	Richmond	Frank Sprague	Richmond	1st	Rv. E. W. Eldridge Hancock
		Ruth Richardson	Hancock	22	School teacher	Dublin	Clifton Richardson	Dublin		
June 30	Chesham	Clarence Peterson	Cambridge, Ms.	29	Office manager	Cambridge, Ms.	Carl Peterson	Cambridge, Ms.	1st	Rv. Jas. K. Miller Lyman, Me.
		Marguerite G. Bemis	Chesham	25	Clerk	Chesham	George W. Bemis	Chesham		
Sept. 11	Harrisville	Howard L. Main	Harrisville	18	Weaver	Keene	Melvin Main	Canada	1st	Rv. J. A. Belford Harrisville
		Clarice L. Beaulieu	Harrisville	19	At home	Harrisville	Joseph Beaulieu	Canada		
Oct. 11	Watertown, Ms.	Gordon Bemis	Chesham	28	Salesman	Chesham	George W. Bemis	Chesham	1st	Rv. R. Sherwood Salem, Mass.
		Lillian Jacobson	Watertown, Ms.	16	Stenographer	Watertown, Ms.	William Jacobson			

*What marriage—whether 1st, 2d, etc.

Deaths Registered in the Town of Harrisville, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1923.

Date of Death.	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age.			Place of Birth.	Sex and Cond'n		Place of Birth.		Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother
		Years.	Months.	Days.		Male or Female.	S., M., W.*	Father.	Mother.		
Jan. 11	Forrest T. LaPoint	48	1	25	Harrisville	M	M	Canada	Dublin	John LaPoint	Emma Symonds
Apr. 14	Edward J. Beliveau			21	Harrisville	M		Canada	Dublin	John Beliveau	Annie Dion
Sept. 30	Ambrosia LaPoint	75	6	3	Canada	M	W				
Oct. '22	Earle Clesson Russell	26	8	14	Chesham	M	S	Somerville, Mass.	Chesham	Percy W. Russell	Gertrude Derby

*Single, married or widowed.

I hereby certify that the foregoing transcript of births, marriages and deaths is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

THOMAS J. WINN, JR.,
Town Clerk.

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